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Docket No.: 82771P258C

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

TAL I. LAVIAN

Application No.: 09/716,809

Filed: November 20, 2000

For: **Method and Apparatus for Automatically  
Configuring a Network Switch**

Art Group: Unassigned

Examiner: Unassigned

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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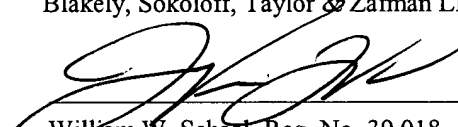
In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicant for the above-identified application respectfully Petitions the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to April 02, 2004, from the Office Action dated December 02, 2003. The petition filing fee of \$110.00 and an Amendment and Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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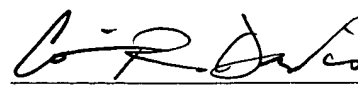
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